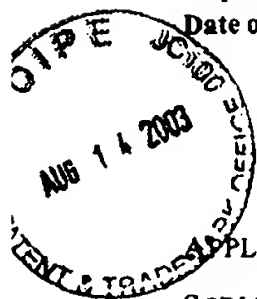


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NONPROVISIONAL PATENT APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.48(b) – FEWER
INVENTORS DUE TO AMENDMENT OR CANCELLATION OF CLAIMS**

Dear Sir:

The prosecution of the above-identified nonprovisional application has resulted in the cancellation of claims so that fewer than all of the currently named inventors are the actual inventors of the invention being claimed in the instant application. Therefore, Applicants submit this Amendment and Petition to correct inventorship by deleting the following name(s):

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Tina,

Please notify OIPE to remove the inventors listed on the Rule 48(b) petition filed 8/14/03.

Thanks,

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